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PATENT

ATTORNEY DOCKET NO.: 049128-5755

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
Goro NAKATANI et al.) Confirmation No.: 4701
Application No.: 10/043,276) Group Art Unit: 2811
Filed: January 14, 2003) Examiner: Junghwa M. Im
For: SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE AND METHOD FOR MANUFACTURING THE SAME)))

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Sir:

NOTICE OF APPEAL TO THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the decision of the Examiner dated March 11, 2005, finally rejecting claims 1, 3 and 8-13.

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1. Extension of Time

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The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) apply. Applicants believe that no extension of time is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that Applicants have inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition and fee for extension of time. \boxtimes Applicants request an extension of time, the fees for which are set out in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a), for the total number of months checked below: **Total Months** [Fee for Small Fee for Requested Extension Entity] \$ 120.00 \$ 60.00 one month \$ 225.00 two months \$ 450.00 three months \$ 1,020.00 \$ 510.00 four months \$ 1,590.00 \$ 795.00

Please charge Deposit Account No. 50-0310 in the amount of \$1,020.00 for the three-month extension of time fee.

If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a Petition therefor.

- 2. Notice of Appeal Fee 37 C.F.R. § 41.20(b)(1)
 - The Commissioner is authorized to charge the appeal fee of \$500.00 to Deposit Account No. 50-0310.
- 3. Fee Payment
 - The Commissioner is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 50-0310 in the amount of \$1,520.00 for the Notice of Appeal fee and the three-month extension of time fee.

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4. Constructive Petition

Except for issue fees payable under 37 C.F.R. § 1.18, the Commissioner is hereby authorized by this paper to charge any additional fees during the entire pendency of this application including fees due under 37 C.F.R. §1.16 and §1.17 which may be required, including any required extension of time fees, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 50-0310. This paragraph is intended to be a CONSTRUCTIVE PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a)(3).

Respectfully submitted,

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